

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested.

Claims 1, 2, 4-11, 13, and 17-20 are in the case.

Claims 5, 9-11, and 13 stand withdrawn from consideration as not reading on the elected invention.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-8, and 17-20, the elected claims, stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and specifically claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention, this being their sole rejection.

Consequently, the claims have been amended, consistent with the disclosure, to make it clear that the defined thickness is of each of the layers and thereby obviating the Examiner's criticism.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is requested.

Further, consistent with MPEP § 821.04 rejoinder of the non-elected claims, i.e. Claim 5, 9-11 and 13, and their allowance is herewith requested. The non-elected claims drawn to a method for producing the multi-layer ultrathin film of the elected claims together with the elected claims clearly define a single invention.

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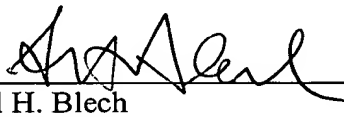
Formal Notice of Allowance of this application is requested.

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